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MEETING MINUTES - Draft

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NAPA

Mayor Scott Sedgley
Vice Mayor Mary Luros
Councilmember Chris DeNatale
Councilmember Bernie Narvaez
Councilmember Beth Painter

Tuesday, May 20, 2025 | **3:30 PM** | **City Hall Council Chambers**

3:30 PM Afternoon Session
6:30 PM Evening Session

3:30 P.M. AFTERNOON SESSION

1. CALL TO ORDER: 3:30 P.M.

Present: 5 - Mayor Sedgley, Vice Mayor Luros, Councilmember DeNatale, Councilmember Narvaez, and Councilmember Painter

1.A. Roll Call:

2. AGENDA REVIEW AND SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS:

City Clerk Carranza announced the following supplemental documents:

Item 7.A. PowerPoint Presentation from City staff.

(A copy of the supplemental document is on file in the City Clerk's department)

3. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

3.A. 160-2025 Proclamation for National Public Works Week

Mayor and members of Council read the proclamation. Public Works Director Julie Lucido, joined by department staff, accepted the proclamation and provided remarks.

3.B. 200-2025 Proclamation for Historic Preservation Month

Mayor and members of Council read the proclamation. Christine Madrid French, Napa County Landmarks Executive Director, accepted the proclamation and provided remarks.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Dalton Piercey - provided comments related to imposed time limits of public comment. Shared he would like to meet with Planning Commissioners and Councilmembers to discuss the topic of amplified noise and sound. Provided information for the record to be distributed to Councilmembers and Planning Commissioners.

Dionne - voiced concerns regarding the closure of the outpatient lab at the Queen of the Valley Hospital.

Kathy Rogers - provided comments regarding subcontracted employees and voiced concerns over the decline of patient care at the Queen of the Valley, in particular as it related to the closing of the outpatient lab. Shared they had been fighting for a fair contract for over a year.

Rachel Allen - provided comments regarding the current status of negotiations with the Queen of the Valley.

Gordon Mar, National Union of Healthcare workers - provided additional context regarding union negotiations with Queen of the Valley.

Philip Trood - Provided comments related to traffic signal timing, pedestrian safety on Trancas St., and The Grove at Kennedy Park.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Luros, seconded by Councilmember Painter, to approve the Consent Agenda with item 5.L. pulled for report and discussion. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Sedgley, Luros, DeNatale, Narvaez, and Painter

5.A. 204-2025 City Council Meeting Minutes

Approved the minutes from the April 28, 2025 and May 6, 2025 Special Meetings and the May 6, 2025 Regular Meeting the City Council.

5.B. 193-2025 Addition of Napa Municipal Code Section 10.32.120-Compliance with Traffic Control Second Reading

Approved the second reading and final adoption of Ordinance O2025-005 adding Napa Municipal Code Section 10.32.120 related to compliance with traffic control.

Enactment No: O2025-005

5.C. 209-2025 Appointment of Retired Annuitant Heather Ippoliti as Interim Finance Director Pursuant to Government Code Section 21221(h)

Adopted Resolution R2025-051 to appoint Heather Ippoliti as Interim Finance Director Pursuant to Government Code Section 21221(h).

Enactment No: R2025-051

5.D. 057-2025 Emergency Declaration for 36-inch Asbestos Cement Water Transmission Main Replacement

Determined there was a need to continue the emergency action to execute and implement contracts for the construction to replace up to 8,200 linear feet of 36-inch asbestos cement water transmission main.

5.E. 099-2025 Emergency Repair of Browns Valley Creek at Tall Grass Drive Bridge

Determined there was a need to continue the emergency action to execute and implement a contract for the design, permitting, and construction to stabilize the creek bank and adjacent roadway for Browns Valley Creek at Tall Grass Drive, and determined that the actions authorized by the item were exempt from CEQA.

5.F. 434-2024 NCRIC Crime Analyst Services Contract Renewal

Authorized the Acting Chief of Police to: (1) execute a reimbursement agreement with Napa County by which the City will receive $676,315 to offset the costs of crime analyst services; (2) execute an agreement with San Mateo County by which the City will receive crime analyst services over a three-year term for $676,315.

5.G. 116-2025 Silverado-Third-Coombsville-East (“5-Way Intersection”) Project - Amendment #2

Approved and authorized the Public Works Director to execute on behalf of the City Amendment No. 2 to C2023-710 with GHD Inc., a California Corporation, for professional engineering services to complete the Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED) phase of the “5-Way Intersection” Project in the increased amount of $571,479.00, plus authority up to 20% contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed $2,130,196.80.

5.H. 152-2025 Napa Valley Corporate Park Landscape and Lighting Assessment District, Fiscal Year 2025-2026

1. Adopted Resolution R2025-052 to order the City Engineer to prepare and file the Preliminary Engineer's Report describing the improvements to be maintained by the Annual and Supplemental Napa Valley Corporate Park Landscape and Lighting Assessment District for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 and determining that the actions authorized by this resolution are exempt from CEQA; and

2. Adopted Resolution R2025-053 of intention to approve the Preliminary Engineer's Report, levy and collect assessments, and give notice of a Public Hearing to consider approval of the Annual and Supplemental Napa Valley Corporate Park Landscape and Lighting Assessment District for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, and determine that the actions authorized by this resolution are exempt from CEQA.

Enactment No: R2025-052
R2025-053

5.I. 167-2025 Citywide Landscape Maintenance Assessment District, Fiscal Year 2025-2026

1. Adopted Resolution R2025-054 to order the City Engineer to prepare and file the Preliminary Engineer's Report describing the improvements to be maintained by the Citywide Landscape Maintenance Assessment District for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, and determining that the actions authorized by this resolution are exempt from CEQA; and

2. Adopted Resolution R2025-055 of intention to approve the Preliminary Engineer's Report, levy and collect assessments, and give notice of a Public Hearing to consider approval of the Citywide Landscape Maintenance Assessment District for Fiscal Year 2025-2026, and determining that the actions authorized by this resolution are exempt from CEQA.

Enactment No: R2025-054
R2025-055

5.J. 158-2025 Industrial Plumbing Materials for Water System Operation

1) Authorized the Utilities Director to amend existing contracts with Pace Supply, Corp. and Ferguson Enterprises, Inc., increasing the compensation from $200,000 to an amount not to exceed $400,000 for Fiscal Year 2025, for the purchase of industrial plumbing materials for use in the municipal potable water system; and

2) authorized the Utilities Director to execute contracts in an amount not to exceed $500,000 with Pace Supply, Corp. and Ferguson Enterprises, Inc., for Fiscal Year 2026, for the purchase of industrial plumbing materials for use in the municipal potable water system; and

3) determined that the actions authorized by the item are exempt from CEQA.

5.K. 195-2025 Stanly Ranch Project Refund B1912-0237

Authorized the Interim Community Development Director to execute a refund of $4,796.40 to the Stanly Ranch Residential project.

5.L. 198-2025 Coombs & South Coombs Rehabilitation - Imola Avenue to 5th Street

This items was pulled for discussion.

Farid Javandel, Senior Traffic Engineer, provided the report.

Mayor called for public comment; there were no requests to speak.

Discussion was brought back to Council. Brief comments from members ensued in appreciation of the work of Public Work's staff.

A motion was made by Councilmember Narvaez, seconded by Councilmember DeNatale, to adopt Resolution R2025-056:
(1) authorizing the Public Works Director to award a construction contract to, and execute a construction contract with, Ghilotti Bros., Inc., for the Coombs Street & South Coombs Street Rehabilitation - Imola Avenue to 5th Street project in the bid amount of $4,695,445.70; and
(2) determining that the actions authorized by this resolution are exempt from CEQA. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Sedgley, Luros, DeNatale, Narvaez, and Painter

Enactment No: R2025-056

5.M. 202-2025 Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the Napa Valley Unified School District for the School Resource Officer Program.

Authorized the Acting Chief of Police, Fabio Rodriguez to execute on behalf of the City a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Napa Valley Unified School District (NVUSD) for the collaboration and operation of the School Resource Officer Program for the 2025-2026 school year, in the shared cost of one (1) Youth Services Bureau Detective and three (3) School Resource Officers in a total joint cost of $761,169.65.

5.N. 211-2025 Acceptance of Homeless, Housing Assistance and Prevention Grant

Authorized the City Manager to: (1) execute all documents necessary to accept a grant from the State of California Business, Consumer Services and Housing Agency for the Homeless, Housing Assistance and Prevention Program Round 5 in the amount of $727,623.09; and (2) approve the increase of revenue and expenditures budgets by $363,811.55 in the Non-Recurring General Fund, as documented in Budget Adjustment #219.

5.O. 212-2025 BottleRock Festival 2025 Services Agreement

Approved and authorized the City Manager on behalf of the City to execute an agreement with Live Nation Worldwide, Inc., DBA Latitude 38 Entertainment in an amount up to $500,000 to provide City of Napa personnel to perform general law enforcement, security, and emergency medical services at the Napa Expo located at 575 3rd St. during the 2025 BottleRock Music Festival on May 23-25, 2025.

5.P. 213-2025 La Onda Music Festival 2025 Services Agreement

Approved and authorized the City Manager on behalf of the City to execute an agreement with Live Nation Worldwide, Inc., DBA Buena Onda Presents in an amount up to $300,000 to provide City of Napa personnel to perform general law enforcement, security, and emergency medical services at the Napa Expo located at 575 3rd St. during the 2025 La Onda Music Festival on May 31, 2025 - June 1, 2025

6. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

6.A. 168-2025 CalPERS Pension Funding Update

Deputy Finance Director Paul Phangureh introduced the item and Ira Summers, Senior Consultant with TrueComp, who provided the report.

Mayor Sedgley called for public comment; there were no requests to speak.

Discussion was brought back to Council. Brief individual questions ensued.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

7.A. 092-2025 Local Responsibility Area Fire Hazard Severity Zones Update (Amending Napa Municipal Code Section 17.52.180)

Mayor Sedgley opened the hearing.

Fire Chief Zach Curren provided the report.

Mayor called for public comment

Kevin Teague, on behalf of Stanly Ranch - summarized concerns with the proposed map that he outlined in a supplemental communication submitted for the record. Hoped that the Council would support having the State reclassify the Stanly Ranch Resort with the appropriate lower hazard classification.

Chris Cosby - thanked Council for the opportunity to comment. Hoped that the maps could be updated as Mr. Teague proposed.

Mayor Sedgley called for disclosures; members provided them.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Luros, seconded by Councilmember Painter, to close public testimony. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was brought back to Council. Individual questions and comments.

Councilmembers shared their support of the changes that the representatives from Stanly Ranch Resort proposed. Chief Curren confirmed that if the State were to make any updates to the map, the City would be required to adopt the updated map.

A motion was made by Councilmember Painter, seconded by Councilmember Narvaez, to approve the first reading and introduction of an ordinance amending Napa Municipal Code Section 17.52.180 related to Fire Hazard Severity Zones and adopting an uncodified Fire Hazard Severity Zone Map. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Sedgley, Luros, DeNatale, Narvaez, and Painter

8. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL OR CITY MANAGER: None.

9. CLOSED SESSION:

Interim City Attorney Diaz announced the closed session items. In regard to item 9.B., he shared that although the agenda listed three potential cases, they would only be considering two potential cases, both associated with the two claims in the preceding matter, item 9.A. The third case would be brought back at a future meeting.

9.A. 215-2025 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)
Two Potential Cases

9.B. 216-2025 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – INITIATION OF LITIGATION
Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)
Three Potential Cases

CITY COUNCIL RECESS: 5:06 P.M.

6:30 P.M. EVENING SESSION

10. CALL TO ORDER: 6:30 P.M.

10.A. Roll Call:

Present: 5 - Mayor Sedgley, Vice Mayor Luros, Councilmember DeNatale, Councilmember Narvaez, and Councilmember Painter

11. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

12. AGENDA REVIEW AND SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS:

City Clerk Carranza announced the following supplemental documents:

Item 13.A.
- Updated resume from applicant Carol Barge submitted on May 16, 2025.
- Emails from applicants Joe Newman and Richard Tippitt withdrawing their applications.

(Copies of all supplemental documents are on file in the City Clerk's department)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Kaya Prosser, Sophomore at Justin Sienna on behalf of Napa Youth Council - voiced concerns regarding youth vaping and tobacco use. Asked for stronger tobacco control.

Akshaj Bhatt, Sophomore at American Canyon High School on behalf of Napa Youth Council - shared the effects of nicotine and tobacco use at schools.

Amarjot Toor, Junior at American Canyon High School on behalf of Napa Youth Council - shared support received from community members in regard to their efforts to combat tobacco control.

Linda Colin Jurado, Senior at American Canyon High School, member of Napa Youth Council, and Co-President of American Canyon High Schools Friday Night Live Chapter - Shared results from second hand use exposure in school bathrooms. Would like to see a local tobacco retail license enacted. Fees could be put towards compliance check and other methods of compliance monitoring to reduce use of sales to minors.

In response to the public comment, Mayor Sedgley shared that he would ask the City Manager for an update related to the City's enforcement activities relating to tobacco retail.

13. COMMISSION INTERVIEWS AND APPOINTMENTS:

13.A. 016-2025 Measure G Citizen Oversight Committee Membership

City Clerk Carranza introduced the item and outlined the interview process. She shared that applicants Joe Newman and Richard Tippitt withdrew their applications and that applicant Heather McCollister notified staff that she was unable to attend the meeting that evening but would still like to be considered for appointment.

Applicants were given three minutes to provide a presentation. City Clerk Carranza randomly drew names to determine the order of the presentations, which were given in the following order:

1. Tamara C Sullivan
2. Kevin Plett - name was called but applicant was not present
3. Gordon Huether
4. Kellie Burkett - name was called but applicant was not present
5. James Collins
6. Benjamin Horne
7. Jill Techel
8. Suzanne Mason
9. Michael Kalinin
10. Kenneth Frank
11. Daniel Wilkowsky
12. Gregory Russell
13. Dorothy Glaros
14. Carol Barge
15. Lisa Poppen
16. Jonathan Schellin

Mayor and Councilmembers voted for eight applicants that they would like see move forward in the interview process.

The votes were tallied as follows:

Sedgley: Barge, Collins, Horne, Glaros, Huether, Mason, Schellin and Techel
Luros: Barge, Horne, Huether, Mason, Russell, Schellin, Techel and Wilkowsky
DeNatale: Frank, Horne, Huether, Mason, Poppen, Russell, Schellin, Techel
Narvaez: Barge, Collins, Frank, Horne, Huether, Mason, Schellin and Techel
Painter: Barge, Collins, Frank, Horne, Mason, Russell, Techel and Wilkowsky

Total Scores of applicants were as follows:

Barge - 4
Burkett - 0
Collins - 3
Frank - 3
Horne - 5
Glaros - 1
Huether - 4
Kalinin - 0
Mason -5
McCollister - 0
Plett - 0
Poppen - 1
Russell - 3
Schellin - 4
Sullivan - 0
Techel - 5
Wilkowsky - 2

With applicants Techel, Horne and Mason each receiving 5 votes, Council determined that those applicants would skip the interview process and move forward for recommended appointment.

Mayor called for a break at 7:42 P.M. for the City Clerk staff to organize the remaining scores and to notate those applicants who had applied as individuals with expertise in accounting or finance or with municipal operations or capital project delivery. The meeting reconvened at 7:47 P.M.

Following brief discussion, Council determined that applicants Barge, Huether and Schellin, with scores of 4 each, would move forward for final interviews.

Council agreed on 10-minute timed interviews.

City Clerk Carranza randomly drew names to determine the order of the interviews, which were given in the following order:

1. Gordon Huether
2. Johnathan Schellin
3. Carol Barge

Mayor and Councilmembers voted for two applicants.

Votes were tallied as follows:

Sedgley: Barge and Huether
Luros: Barge and Schellin
DeNatale: Barge and Schellin
Narvaez: Huether and Schellin
Painter: Barge and Schellin

Total Scores of applicants were as follows:

Barge: 4
Huether: 2
Schellin: 4

Discussion ensued regarding confirmation of term lengths and designation of members.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Luros, seconded by Councilmember Narvaez, to appoint five individuals to serve on the Measure G Citizen Oversight Committee as follows:

1) Appoint Benjamin Horne and Jill Techel to fill terms ending June 30, 2028; and
2) Appoint Carol Barge, Suzanne Mason and Jonathan Schellin to fill terms ending June 30, 2027; and
3) Designate Benjamin Horne as the member demonstrating experience in accounting or finance; and
4) Designate Suzanne Mason as the member demonstrating experience in municipal operations or capital project delivery.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Sedgley, Luros, DeNatale, Narvaez, and Painter

14. REPORT ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:

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Interim City Attorney Diaz announced that Council voted unanimously, with Vice Mayor Luros recused due to a conflict of interest, to authorize the filing of an Equitable Indemnity and Contribution Claim and that the particulars would be shared once the claim was filed.

15. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL OR CITY MANAGER:

Councilmember Narvaez invited members of the public to attend the Memorial Day service at Veteran's Memorial Day Park at 11:30 A.M. on Monday, May 26th. He shared the American Legion Post 113 would be hosting the service which would be followed by food and refreshments at the American Legion Hall.

In response to public comments earlier in the evening from students regarding a tobacco retail license, Councilmember Narvaez asked the Mayor to clarify the direction given to staff. Mayor Sedgley replied that he would work with the City Manager to provide the Council with a status report on the City's current efforts related to enforcement and licensing.

16. ADJOURNMENT: 8:27 P.M.

The next regularly scheduled meeting for the City Council of the City of Napa is June 3, 2025.

Submitted by:

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Tiffany Carranza, City Clerk