



CITY OF NAPA

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MEETING MINUTES - Final

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NAPA

Mayor Scott Sedgley
Vice Mayor Bernie Narvaez
Councilmember Liz Alessio
Councilmember Mary Luross
Councilmember Beth Painter

Tuesday, August 20, 2024

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.

1.A. Roll Call:

Present: 5 - Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Luross, Councilmember Painter, Vice Mayor Narvaez, and Mayor Sedgley

2. AGENDA REVIEW AND SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS:

City Clerk Carranza announced the following supplemental documents:

Item 3: Emails from Anne Wheaton, Shanee Somogyi, and James McNamara.

Item 4.B. Document submitted by Christopher Bennett.

Item 5.A. PowerPoint Presentation by City Staff.

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

3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Maureen Trippe, Co-founder Slow Down Napa - voiced frustration and concern regarding a recent pedestrian fatality. Would like to see a commitment to protect residential neighborhoods from traffic. Suggested use for funds.

Colleen Moore - spoke in opposition of the potential sales tax increase. Concerned with added costs of running her vacation rental.

Yvonne Baginski - provided comments in regard to spawning salmon in Salvador Creek. Asked if City could assist with putting up a sign along the creek to alert residents to leave the salmon alone to ensure their protection.

Jim McNamara - shared that explosions occurred the night before outside of his home. Concerned with behavior that was going on in his neighborhood.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Following the approval of the Consent Calendar, members of Council congratulated Christopher Bennett on his appointment to the Disability Access Board of Appeals. Christopher provided brief remarks.

A motion was made by Councilmember Luros, seconded by Councilmember Alessio, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

- 4.A.** 297-2024 City Council Meeting Minutes

Approved the minutes from the August 6, 2024 Regular Meetings of the City Council.
- 4.B.** 289-2024 Disability Access Board of Appeals Membership

Appointed new member, Christopher Bennett, to the Disability Access Board of Appeals, for a term beginning immediately and ending September 30, 2025.
- 4.C.** 246-2024 Community Recovery Bank - Amendment to Extend Term of C2023-053 with Mentis

Authorized the City Manager to execute Amendment No. 2 to City Agreement No. C2023-053 with Mentis to extend the term of the Agreement to October 31, 2025, and extend the final date for Mentis to expend or return the ARPA Funds to the City to September 30, 2025.

4.D. 285-2024 Fiscal Year 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (Regional)

Adopted Resolution R2024-082 authorizing the Fire Chief to accept the 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$136,363.63, with a local match of up to \$13,636.37, and to execute a Grant Agreement with FEMA and approving an increase in both revenue and expenditures in the Non-Recurring General Fund in the amount of \$136,363.63, as documented in Budget Amendment No. 602P1.

Enactment No: R2024-082

4.E. 287-2024 Fiscal Year 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant

Adopted resolution R2024-083 authorizing the Fire Chief to accept the 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$215,454.54, with a local match of \$21,545.46, and to execute a Grant Agreement with FEMA and approving an increase in both revenue and expenditures in the Non-Recurring General Fund in the amount of \$215,454.54, as documented in Budget Amendment No. 02P2.

Enactment No: R2024-083

4.F. 295-2024 Browns Valley Road/First Street Rehabilitation

Adopted Resolution R2024-084: (1) authorizing the Public Works Director to award a construction contract to, and execute a construction contract with, JV Lucas Paving, Inc. for the Browns Valley Road/First Street Rehabilitation project in the bid amount of \$4,296,497.75; (2) authorizing the Public Works Director to approve change orders and charges for project services up to \$1,094,299.55 for a total project amount not to exceed \$5,390,797.30; (3) obligating \$900,000 of Capital Improvement Program Measure T funds for the Browns Valley Road/1st Street-Westview to 29 (ST22PW03); and thereby (4) adjusting the current expenditure budget of the Capital Improvement Fund by \$900,000 as documented in Budget Amendment No. 83P2; and (5) determining that the actions authorized by this resolution are exempt from CEQA.

Enactment No: R2024-084

5. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

5.A. 293-2024 Council Spotlight - Human Resources, Training and Development

Human Resources Director Heather Ruiz provided the report.

Following the presentation individual Council questions and comments ensued.

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

6. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL OR CITY MANAGER:

Councilmember Alessio - in response to public comment earlier in the afternoon, asked how staff could work on improving traffic safety especially at known trouble spots. Brief discussion ensued. City Manager Potter shared that staff could come back in fall to provide a spotlight on traffic safety.

Councilmember Painter - thanked staff for hosting the community workshop on the Brown's Valley road work, and shared that there was information available online for members of the public.

Councilmember Alessio - shared that she attended a fundraiser for the First Responders Support Network which raised \$125K to support sending first responders and/or spouses to the West Coast Trauma Center in Napa County.

7. CLOSED SESSION:

Interim City Attorney Wolfson announced the closed session items.

7.A. 306-2024 PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT (Government Code Section 54957):
Title: Interim City Attorney.

7.B. 303-2024 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code
section 54957.6):
City designated representatives: Steve Potter, Liz Habkirk, Heather Ruiz,
MJ Tueros, Rajneil Prasad, Sabrina Wolfson, Zach Curren, and Jesse Lad
(Meyers Nave).
Employee organization: Napa City Firefighters Association (NCFA).

CITY COUNCIL RECESS: 4:35 P.M.

6:30 P.M. EVENING SESSION

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

8.A. Roll Call:

Present: 5 - Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Lueros, Councilmember Painter, Vice Mayor Narvaez, and Mayor Sedgley

9. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

10. AGENDA REVIEW AND SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS:

City Clerk Carranza announced the following supplemental documents:

Item 12.B.:

- PowerPoint Presentation from City Staff.
- Email from Patrick Band.

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

11. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Adam Housley - provided comments regarding communication.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

12.A. 304-2024 Appointment of Interim City Attorney

Assistant City Manager Liz Habkirk provided a brief staff report.

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

Brief individual comments ensued.

A motion was made by Councilmember Luros, seconded by Vice Mayor Narvaez, to adopt Resolution R2024-085 (1) Authorizing the City Manager to negotiate and execute a Professional Services Agreement with Best, Best and Krieger LLP for legal services in the amount of up to \$350,000; and (2) Appointing Christopher Diaz of Best, Best and Krieger as Interim City Attorney effective September 7, 2024. The motion carried by the following vote:

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

Enactment No: R2024-085

12.B. 256-2024 Community Sports Fields Discussion

Parks and Recreation Director Breyana Brandt provided the staff report.

Mayor Sedgley called for public comment.

Ron Fairchild, VP Resident Council at the Meadows - spoke in opposition of sports fields at the South Jefferson Park.

Mary Cooke, Napa Force Lacrosse Club - spoke in support of a South Jefferson Sports Complex.

Aaron Osorio - provided comments in support of a sports complex, at either of the sites; preferred South Jefferson site.

Carrie Defere - provided comments in support of a sports complex.

Adam Housley - voiced frustration with the process; shared the need for a multi-complex.

Pat Wolfe - asked for consideration of the residents of the Meadows before considering sports fields at the South Jefferson Park.

Wayne Panchesson, Executive Director of the Meadows - asked for consideration of the residents of the Meadows before considering sports fields at the South Jefferson Park. They had been promised it would be a passive park.

Brian Tench - spoke in opposition of sports fields at the South Jefferson Park.

Ulla Brown - spoke in opposition of sports fields at the South Jefferson Park.

Kathleen Conrey - shared concerns with potential wetland damage when building out the South Jefferson Park.

Matthew Holmes - provided comments in support of a sports complex; shared potential financial benefits.

Jen Di Battista - provided comments in support of a sports complex.

Brandt Mori - provided comments in support of a sports complex, preferably at the South Jefferson site, but most of all the most appropriate complex to accommodate the need.

Boo Beckstoffer - spoke in support of a South Jefferson Sports Complex.

John Ferrigan, Vice President, Napa United - provided comments in support of a sports complex.

Lea Simon - spoke in support of a South Jefferson Sports Complex.

E. Pina - spoke in support of a South Jefferson Sports Complex.

Gregg Grenillo - provided comments in support of a sports complex. Suggested Council explore a Public, Private, Partnership.

Breslan Ivory, Napa United Player - provided comments in support of a sports complex.

AJ Di Battista and Chris P., Napa United Players - provided comments in support of a sports complex.

Mayor Sedgley called for a break at 7:56 P.M. The meeting reconvened at 8:05 P.M.

Discussion was brought back to Council.

Individual members provided comments and considerations regarding the potential project site locations and staff responded to questions relating to restrictions, access, property acquisition costs, budget, and process.

Assistant City Manager Habkirk summarized staff's intended next steps of working with Napa United on an access agreement for an initial site evaluation, knowing there would be no guarantee of any long-term arrangement at this time. Dependent on the outcome of any initial evaluation, staff would intend to come back to Council at the annual goal setting workshop to share results and discuss a potential long-term plan. In addition, staff would explore what a potential public-private partnership would look like.

13. REPORT ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:

Interim City Attorney Wolfson announced that there was no reportable action taken in Closed Session.

14. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL OR CITY MANAGER:

Councilmember Alessio, as a member of the Napa County Suicide Prevention Council, invited, and encouraged. folks to attend a conference to be held on September 18th from 9:00 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. at the Napa Valley College Performing Arts Center. She shared the Key Note Speaker would be Candace Washington, Founder and CEO of Restorative Minds Therapeutic and Wellness Services who would be sharing her message of hope and restoration, to encourage others to give tomorrow another chance. The cost was \$20, and included six breakout sessions.

Councilmember Luros shared that the memorial for Ira C. Smith would be held on Saturday, August 24th at 11:00 A.M. at the Napa High Gym.

Mayor Sedgley also acknowledged the passing of two other prominent community members, Joe Peatman and Marvin Lernhart, and shared his condolences.

15. ADJOURNMENT: 9:08 P.M.

Submitted by:



Tiffany Carranza, City Clerk