



## CITY OF NAPA

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## MEETING MINUTES - Draft

## CITY COUNCIL

*Mayor Jill Techel*  
*Vice Mayor Scott Sedgley*  
*Councilmember Liz Alessio*  
*Councilmember Doris Gentry*  
*Councilmember Mary Luros*

Monday, October 28, 2019

4:00 PM

City Hall Council Chambers

## SPECIAL MEETING

4:00 PM Afternoon Session

5:00 PM Evening Session

A Special Meeting for the City Council of the City of Napa was called on Monday, October 28, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. to be held at City Hall Council Chambers, 955 School Street, Napa, California, for the purpose identified on this Agenda. This Special Meeting was called in accordance with California Government Code Section 54956.

## 4:00 P.M. AFTERNOON SESSION

## 1. CALL TO ORDER: 4:00 P.M.

## 1.A. Roll Call:

**Present:** 5 - Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Gentry, Councilmember Luros, Vice Mayor Sedgley, and Mayor Techel

## 2. AGENDA REVIEW AND SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS: None.

## 3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

James Hinton, resident - spoke regarding recreational cannabis. He also spoke in regard to the Closed Session.

## 4. CLOSED SESSION:

City Attorney Barrett announced the closed session item.

- 4.A. [2104-2019](#) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)): Significant exposure to litigation in one potential case.

## CITY COUNCIL RECESS: 4:05 P.M.

## 5:00 P.M. EVENING SESSION

**5. CALL TO ORDER: 5:02 P.M.****5.A. Roll Call:**

**Present:** 5 - Councilmember Alessio, Councilmember Gentry, Councilmember Luros, Vice Mayor Sedgley, and Mayor Techel

**6. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:****7. AGENDA REVIEW AND SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTS:**

City Clerk Carranza announced the following supplemental item:

Item 10.A.: Revised resume received October 24, 2019 from applicant, Debra A. Kircher.

**8. REPORT ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:**

City Attorney Barrett stated there was no reportable action from Closed Session.

**9. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

James Hinton, resident - spoke regarding the City's response to a downed tree, recreational cannabis, and the Planning Commission membership.

**10. COMMISSION INTERVIEWS AND APPOINTMENTS:**

**10.A.**    [2099-2019](#)    Planning Commission Membership

The following individuals were interviewed for three vacancies on the Planning Commission:

Beth Painter, Robert Muh, Janet Kloenhambler, Paul. W. Kelley, Robert Onate, Jessica Penman and Debra A. Kircher.

The Mayor called for a break at 6:23 P.M. The meeting reconvened at 6:27 P.M. and interviews continued with Bernardo A. Narvaez and Kara Brunzell.

It was noted by City Clerk Carranza that applicant Heather McCollister advised staff earlier in the day that, due to a work commitment, she would be unable to attend the meeting, however, she expressed her desire to be considered for appointment.

After the interviews, each Councilmember voted, by paper ballot, to identify the three preferred candidates to be appointed to the Commission.

City Clerk Carranza announced that the greatest number of votes were received by Beth Painter and Paul W. Kelley with 5 votes each. Robert Onate received 2 votes, and Robert Muh, Jessica Penman, and Kara Brunzell received 1 vote each. She also announced the vote of each Councilmember for the candidates was as follows:

Mayor Techel: Painter, Kelley, Penman  
Vice Mayor Sedgley: Painter, Kelley, Onate  
Councilmember Alessio: Painter, Kelley, Brunzell  
Councilmember Gentry: Painter, Muh, Kelley  
Councilmember Luros: Painter, Kelley, Onate

In order to obtain a majority vote for the third candidate to be appointed, Mayor Techel asked City Clerk Carranza to return the ballots to the Council to vote for the third candidate. This round Council was instructed to vote for either Robert Onate, Robert Muh, Jessica Penman or Kara Brunzell since these candidates received votes during the previous round.

Following the second vote, City Clerk Carranza announced that the greatest number of votes were received by Robert Onate with 3 votes. Robert Muh, and Kara Brunzell, received 1 vote each. She also announced the vote of each Councilmember for the candidates was as follows:

Mayor Techel: Onate  
Vice Mayor Sedgley: Onate  
Councilmember Alessio: Brunzell

Councilmember Gentry: Muh  
Councilmember Luros: Onate

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Sedgley, seconded by Councilmember Gentry, to reappoint Beth Painter and Paul W. Kelley to the Planning Commission with terms beginning January 1, 2020 and ending on December 31, 2021 with Paul W. Kelley being designated as a Design Professional; and to appoint Robert Onate to the Planning Commission for a term effective immediately and ending on December 31, 2021. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** 5 - Alessio, Gentry, Luros, Sedgley, and Techel

## **11. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL OR CITY MANAGER**

Councilmember Alessio thanked Craig Smith and Julie Morales for organizing the Hometown Halloween party on Saturday October 26th which brought many residents, community members, and business owners together in Downtown Napa for trick-or-treating.

## **12. ADJOURNMENT: 6:57 P.M.**

**Submitted by:**

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**Tiffany Carranza, City Clerk**