

**MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING**

City Council of the Town of Colma
Corner of F Street and El Camino Real
37°40'57.9"N 122°27'46.6"W
Colma, CA 94014
(In front of the F Street Retaining Wall)
Wednesday, April 10, 2024
4:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Goodwin called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Council Present – Mayor John Irish Goodwin, Vice Mayor Ken Gonzalez, Council Members Carrie Slaughter, Helen Fisicaro and Joanne F. del Rosario were present.

Staff Present – City Manager Daniel Barros, City Attorney Christopher Diaz, Chief of Police John Munsey, Director of Planning and Public Works Brad Donohue, Police Commander Sherwin Lum, Police Dispatcher/Records Supervisor Amanda Velasquez, Interim City Clerk Abigail Dometita, Human Resources Analyst Juan Rumayor, Public Works Maintenance Supervisor Louis Gotelli, Recreation Coordinators Daisy Esquivias and Dinora Navarro, Accounting Technician Maria Martinez, Executive Assistant to Chief of Police Nikole Azzopardi, Administrative Technician Shelby Wright, and Maintenance Technicians Vicente Gonzalez and Ryan Rodriguez were in attendance.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

Mayor Goodwin welcomed everyone and introduced distinguished guests:

- Julie Englemann, Artist/Muralist
- Former Mayors and Council Members Dennis Fisicaro and Randi DuBois Taini
- Former Council Member Mary Brodzin
- Reno Taini, Creator of Colma’s motto “It’s Great to be Alive in Colma!”
- Daly City Mayor Juslyn Manalo
- Daly City Council Members Teresa Proaño and Pamela DiGiovanni
- Felicia Leong, CEO of the Colma Daly City Chamber of Commerce, including board members Rebecca Husted, Eleanor Serrato, Marie Villarosa, Ross Sit, Daisy Li, and Kevin Tong
- Sandie Arnott, San Mateo County Tax Collector
- Richard and Michael Rochetta from the Colma Historical Association

RECOGNITION OF THE F STREET WALL MURAL COMMITTEE

Mayor Goodwin made his opening remarks. He then presented certificates of recognition to the following panelists of the F Street Wall Mural Committee:

- Victoria Magbilang, District 5 Representative of the San Mateo County Arts Commission
- Stephen Seymour, District 1 Representative of the San Mateo County Arts Commission
- Yvette Cortes, Owner/Operator of Simply Uniforms
- Maureen O’Connor, President of the Colma Historical Association

- Council Member Helen Fisicaro
- Council Member Joanne del Rosario
- Brian Dossey, Former City Manager

REMARKS BY THE MAYOR

The Mayor stated, "Today, as we cut the ribbon to showcase this stunning work of art, let us also recognize the individuals and groups whose dedication and hard work have made this project possible. From artist Julie Englemann who poured her heart into every brushstroke and beautifully captured the essence of Colma, to our Public Works Maintenance staff and Police Department who kept her safe with the road closure, and to the F Street Wall Mural Committee that came together and donated their time to choose the best artist they believed would do Colma justice—thank you all. But most importantly, let us remember that this mural is not just a piece of art; it is a symbol of our collective story, our shared journey, and our enduring legacy. May it inspire future generations to cherish and preserve the beauty and character of Colma for another hundred years and beyond."

REMARKS BY THE VICE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Vice Mayor Gonzalez, and Council Members del Rosario and Fisicaro made remarks.

REMARKS BY MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

The Mayor asked if any members of the public wished to speak. The following people made remarks:

- Julie Englemann, Artist/Muralist
- Victoria Magbilang, District 5 Representative of the San Mateo County Arts Commission
- Felicia Leong, CEO of the Colma Daly City Chamber of Commerce
- Daly City Mayor Juslyn Manalo
- Maureen O'Connor, President of the Colma Historical Association
- Daly City Council Members Teresa Proaño and Pamela DiGiovanni
- Sharon Dinkin, resident
- Stephen Seymour, District 1 Representative of the San Mateo County Arts Commission

RIBBON CUTTING AND ADJOURNMENT

The City Council and Artist Julie Englemann cut the ribbon together. The Mayor adjourned the meeting at 4:32 p.m. and invited everyone for sparkling cider and mini cupcakes at Sterling Park.

Respectfully submitted,

Abigail Dometita
Interim City Clerk