

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING**

City Council of the Town of Colma
Meeting Held Remotely via Zoom.us

Thursday, November 12, 2020

Closed Session - 6:00 PM

Regular Session - 7:00 PM

CLOSED SESSION – 6:00PM

1. **In Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6** – Conference with Labor Negotiators.

Agency Negotiator:	Brian Dossey, City Manager Austris Rungis, IEDA
Employee Organizations:	Colma Peace Officers Association and Colma Communications/Records Association
Unrepresented Employees:	All

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL – 7:00PM

Mayor John Irish Goodwin called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council Present – Mayor John Irish Goodwin, Vice Mayor Diana Colvin, Council Members Helen Fisicaro, Raquel Gonzalez and Joanne F. del Rosario were all present.

Staff Present – City Manager Brian Dossey, City Attorney Christopher Diaz, Interim Chief of Police Bob Lotti, Commander Sherwin Lum, Administrative Services Director Pak Lin, and City Clerk Caitlin Corley, were in attendance.

The Mayor announced, “Welcome to another of our completely remote Council Meeting. A few notes about tonight’s meeting: We are accepting public comments through email— please email ccorley@colma.ca.gov to submit a public comment. You can also use the chat function to chat directly to our city clerk and she will be able to let us know that you would like to make a comment when your item comes up in the agenda. Thank you.”

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

Mayor Goodwin announced, “Direction was given to staff at tonight’s closed session.”

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Goodwin asked if there were any changes to the agenda; none were requested. He asked for a motion to adopt the agenda.

Action: Vice Mayor Colvin moved to adopt the agenda; the motion was seconded by Council Member Fisicaro and carried by the following vote:

Name	Voting		Present, Not Voting		Absent
	Aye	No	Abstain	Not Participating	
John Irish Goodwin, Mayor	✓				
Diana Colvin	✓				
Helen Fisicaro	✓				
Raquel Gonzalez	✓				
Joanne F. del Rosario	✓				
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PRESENTATION

Halloween House Decorating Contest Winners: Interim Recreation Manager Angelika Abellana and representatives from Republic Services, our sponsor of this event, introduced the winners of our annual Halloween House Decorating Contest:

- Walsh Family – Verano Home Owners Association
- Dye Family – Sterling Park Neighborhood
- Pape Family – Villa Hoffman Townhomes
- Brodzin Family – Spookiest House

Introduction of New Chief of Police: City Manager Brian Dossey introduced our New Chief of Police John Munsey.

Veterans Day Recognition:

The Mayor announced, "Yesterday we had a wonderful event at Veterans Village, where we honored the new residents whose names will be added to our Veterans Plaque and provided a boxed lunch for all the residents. We were proud and grateful to be able to add 7 new names to our plaque:

- Ronald Faatz
- Edward Oliva
- David Torres
- James Amontte
- Richard Anderson
- Harold Berger
- Gregory Loy

Thank you all for your service to Colma and welcome to our community. Thank you to our Colma Veterans and Veterans everywhere for your courage, sacrifice and service to our country." He also read a proclamation in honor of Veterans Day.

Annual Employee Recognition:

The Mayor announced, "I am honored to welcome all of you to the Town of Colma's 19th Annual Employee Recognition Event. This ongoing tradition is important to show the Town's appreciation to our employees.

Tonight, we will recognize those employees who have marked their 1st, 5th, 15th, 20th and 25th anniversaries. Their continued dedication and commitment are a true gift to the Town's residents and businesses.

Due to COVID-19, our usual celebration in Town Hall wasn't possible. However, we thought outside the box this year. Recognition gifts were presented to each employee as they picked them up from Human Resources or their department. We were able to take photos for some of these employees, which we will present tonight as we honor them."

Chief Lotti recognized:

- Sergeant Roger Jordan – 25 Years Recognition
- Monique Kendrick – 20 Years Recognition
- Officer Daniel Mendoza – 5 Years Recognition
- Alma Alvarado – 1 Year Recognition
- Olivia Bonilla – 1 Year Recognition
- Alejandra Gonzalez – 1 Year Recognition
- Luis Melendrez – 1 Year Recognition

Pak Lin recognized:

- Jeanne O'Brien – 20 Years Recognition

Louis Gotelli recognized:

- Vicente Gonzalez – 15 Years Recognition

Angelika Abellana recognized:

- Daisy Esquivias – 5 Years Recognition
- Raphael Garcia – 5 Years Recognition
- Carl Sanchez – 5 Years Recognition
- Jenny Arcaina – 1 Year Recognition
- Theodore Cook – 1 Year Recognition
- Mariah Esquivel – 1 Year Recognition
- Aidan Gonzalez – 1 Year Recognition
- Alan Gonzalez – 1 Year Recognition
- Andrea Ortega – 1 Year Recognition
- Rebecca Walton – 1 Year Recognition

Mayor Goodwin announced, "I'd also like to recognize our Human Resources Manager Letty Juárez for putting together this wonderful recognition. Thank you for making sure this event was festive and celebratory, even in this usual year. And on behalf of the Council, I would just like to say again how much we appreciate our wonderful Town staff. Colma would not be the great place it is without your hard work and dedication. You are truly appreciated, even more so in this incredibly difficult year."

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Goodwin opened the public comment period at 7:23 p.m. and seeing no one come forward to speak, he closed the public comment period.

CONSENT CALENDAR

- 2. Motion to Accept the Minutes from the October 28, 2020 Regular Meeting.
- 3. Motion to Approve the Report of Checks Paid for October 2020.
- 4. Motion to Adopt a Resolution Amending the Colma Salary Schedule for Chief of Police Position.

Action: Council Member del Rosario moved to approve the Consent Calendar item #2 - 4; the motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Colvin and carried by the following vote:

Name	Voting		Present, Not Voting		Absent
	Aye	No	Abstain	Not Participating	
John Irish Goodwin, Mayor	✓				
Diana Colvin	✓				
Helen Fiscaro	✓				
Raquel Gonzalez	✓				
Joanne F. del Rosario	✓				
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PUBLIC HEARING

5. GUN SAFETY ORDINANCE

Interim Chief of Police Bob Lotti presented the staff report. Mayor Goodwin opened the public hearing at 7:39 p.m. Citizens Kelly Traver, Valerie Xu, John Selling and Julia Mendelson made comments. The Mayor closed the public hearing at 7:46 p.m. Council discussion followed.

Action: Mayor Goodwin moved to Introduce and Waive Further Reading of an Ordinance Adding Colma Municipal Code Subchapter 2.09 to Require Safe Storage of Firearms in a Residence; the motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Colvin and carried by the following vote:

Name	Voting		Present, Not Voting		Absent
	Aye	No	Abstain	Not Participating	
John Irish Goodwin, Mayor	✓				
Diana Colvin	✓				
Helen Fiscaro	✓				
Raquel Gonzalez	✓				
Joanne F. del Rosario	✓				
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STUDY SESSION

6. BROWN ACT REFRESHER AND UPDATE

City Attorney Christopher Diaz presented the staff report. Mayor Goodwin opened the public comment period and seeing no one come forward to speak, he closed the public comment period. Council discussion followed.

This item was for discussion only; no action was taken at this meeting.

COUNCIL CALENDARING

The next Regular Meeting on Wednesday, November 25, 2020 will be cancelled.

REPORTS

City Manager Brian Dossey gave an update on the following topics:

- Thank you to Interim Chief Bob Lotti for stepping in to help guide the Police Department through the recruitment process for a new Chief, especially in this difficult year.
- Thank you to City Clerk Caitlin Corley for her work coordinating with County officials on the Election.
- Thank you to Mayor Goodwin for his invaluable leadership during this very unusual and challenging year.
- Chief Munsey will be officially sworn in on Monday, November 16 at 9:00 a.m. in the Emergency Operations Center. There will be a brief, socially distant meet and greet event.
- City Council Reorganization will be held on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom.
- San Mateo County COVID-19 numbers are increasing, so please be careful everyone.

ADJOURNMENT AND CLOSE IN MEMORY

Mayor Goodwin adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m. in memory of Thomas C. "Tom" Mohr longtime community member with 50 years of service to our local education community.