

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING**

City Council of the Town of Colma  
Town Hall Council Chamber  
1198 El Camino Real, Colma CA  
Also Accessible via Zoom.us

**Wednesday, January 11, 2023**  
**CLOSED SESSION – 6:00 PM**  
**REGULAR SESSION – 7:00 PM**

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**1. In Closed Session under Government Code § 54957.6, CONFERENCE WITH  
LABOR NEGOTIATOR**

Agency Negotiator: Austris Rungis, IEDA  
Employee Organizations: Colma Communications/Records Association  
Unrepresented Employees: City Clerk

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL – 7:00 PM**

Mayor del Rosario called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

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

Staff Present – City Manager Brian Dossey, City Attorney Christopher Diaz, Chief of Police John Munsey, Administrative Services Director Pak Lin, Director of Public Works and Planning Brad Donohue, City Planner Farhad Mortazavi, City Clerk Caitlin Corley and Administrative Technician Abigail Dometita were in attendance.

The Mayor announced, “Good evening and welcome to this hybrid Council Meeting, conducted both in person and remotely via Zoom.

Regarding Public Comment: Members of the public who are here in person are requested to complete a yellow speaker card and submit it to the City Clerk. Those of you on Zoom may make public comments by using the “raise hand” feature in Zoom or, if calling in by phone, by pressing \*9 on the telephone keypad. The City Clerk will unmute your microphone and allow you to speak. Comments should be kept to three minutes or less.”

**REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION**

The Mayor stated, “No action was taken at tonight’s closed session.”

**ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Mayor del Rosario asked if there were any changes to the agenda. None were requested. The Mayor asked for a motion to adopt the agenda.

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

Name	Voting		Present, Not Voting		Absent
	Aye	No	Abstain	Not Participating	
Joanne F. del Rosario, Mayor	✓				
John Irish Goodwin	✓				
Ken Gonzalez	✓				
Carrie Slaughter	✓				
Helen Fisicaro	✓				
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**PRESENTATIONS**

- **Holiday House Decorating Contest Award Recipients**

City Manager Brian Dossey and Monica Devincenzi of Republic Services presented the award recipients of the Holiday House Decorating Contest:

- Sterling Park Neighborhood – Rivera Family
- Verano Homeowners Association – Yoa Family
- Villa Hoffman Townhomes –Paningbatan Family
- Overall Most Festive Home – Rodriguez Family of Sterling Park
- Most Festive Colma Business – Paul’s Flowers

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mayor del Rosario opened the public comment period at 7:07 p.m. Resident Thom Taylor thanked the Town for their response to the recent storms. Seeing no one else request to speak, the Mayor closed the public comment period at 7:11 p.m.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

2. Motion to Accept the Minutes from the December 13, 2022 Special Meeting.
3. Motion to Accept the Minutes from the December 14, 2022 Regular Meeting.
4. Motion to Approve Report of Checks Paid for December 2022.
5. Motion to Reconfirm the Findings and Determinations Made in Resolution No. 2021-33 and Under Assembly Bill 361 for the Continuation of Virtual Meetings, with Acknowledgment that the California Department of Public Health has Updated the Definition of “Close Contact” in Regulation 3205 from Being within 6 Feet of Another Person to Sharing the Same Indoor Space with Another Person for 15 Minutes or More, Which Further Supports the Findings.
6. Motion to Adopt an Ordinance Amending Section 1.02.020 of the Colma Municipal Code Relating to a Council Vacancy Pursuant to CEQA Guideline 15061(b)(3) (second reading).
7. Motion to Accept Informational Report on Recreation Department Programs, Activities, Events, and Trips for the Fourth Quarter of 2022.
8. Motion to Adopt a Resolution Directing Town Staff to Fly Various Commemorative Flags in Lieu of the Town of Colma Flag at the Colma Community Center.

9. Motion to Introduce an Ordinance Amending Chapter 5, Subchapter 4 of the Town of Colma Municipal Code, Adopting by Reference the 2022 Edition of the California Building Standards Code (California Code of Regulations, Title 24), Consisting of the 2022 California Building Code, the 2022 California Residential Code, the 2022 California Electrical Code, the 2022 California Mechanical Code, the 2022 California Plumbing Code, the 2022 California Fire Code, the 2022 California Energy Code, the 2022 California Green Building Standards Code, the 2022 California Historical Building Code, the 2022 California Existing Building Code and the 2022 California Referenced Standards Code; the 1997 Edition of the Uniform Housing Code; and the 2018 International Property Maintenance Code, Together With Certain Additions, Amendments, and Deletions, All Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15061(b)(3) and 15378, and Waive Further Reading of the Ordinance; and Schedule a Public Hearing for February 8, 2023.

**Action:** Vice Mayor Goodwin moved to approve the consent calendar items #2 through 9; the motion was seconded by Council Member Slaughter and carried by the following vote:

Name	Voting		Present, Not Voting		Absent
	Aye	No	Abstain	Not Participating	
Joanne F. del Rosario, Mayor	✓				
John Irish Goodwin	✓				
Ken Gonzalez	✓				
Carrie Slaughter	✓				
Helen Fisicaro	✓				
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**PUBLIC HEARING**

**10. ORDINANCE ADDING MUNICIPAL CODE SUBCHAPTER 2.10 RELATING TO FIREWORKS**

City Attorney Christopher Diaz presented the staff report. The Mayor opened the public comment period at 7:20 p.m. Resident Thom Taylor made a comment. Seeing no one else request to speak, she closed the public comment period at 7:22 p.m. Council discussion followed.

**Action:** Council Member Fisicaro moved to Introduce and Waive Further Reading of an Ordinance Adding Subchapter 2.10 to the Colma Municipal Code Relating to Fireworks Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines 15061(b)(3), 15307, and 15308, with direction to staff to research tiered penalty amounts for different types of fireworks; the motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Goodwin and carried by the following vote:

Name	Voting		Present, Not Voting		Absent
	Aye	No	Abstain	Not Participating	
Joanne F. del Rosario, Mayor	✓				
John Irish Goodwin	✓				
Ken Gonzalez	✓				
Carrie Slaughter	✓				
Helen Fisicaro	✓				
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## **COUNCIL CALENDARING**

- The next Regular Meeting will be on Wednesday, January 25, 2023, with the State of the City Address beginning at 6:30 p.m. and the regular session beginning at 7:00pm.

## **REPORTS**

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

- A huge thank you to our police, fire and public works departments for their responses to the storms these past weeks. Colma fared relatively well but did have several down tress and road closures. We are still expecting additional storms, so please stay vigilant.
- Town offices will be closed on Monday, January 16, 2023 for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.
- There will be a ribbon cutting for the grand re-opening of Planet Fitness on Tuesday, January 17, 2023
- There will be a ribbon cutting for the grand opening of Boot Barn on Friday, January 20, 2023.
- There will be a Neighborhood Watch meeting at the Community Center on Thursday, January 26, 2023 at 6pm.

## **ADJOURNMENT AND CLOSE IN MEMORY**

Mayor del Rosario adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m. in memory of Algis Ratnikas, resident of Daly City and longtime supporter of the Daly City and Colma Historical Associations.

Respectfully submitted,

Caitlin Corley  
City Clerk