

**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 10, 2024
7:00 PM**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

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

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

Staff Present – City Manager Daniel Barros, City Attorney Christopher Diaz, Chief of Police John Munsey, Administrative Services Director Pak Lin, Director of Public Works and Planning Brad Donohue, Recreation Services Manager Angelika Abellana, Interim City Clerk Abigail Dometita, and Administrative Technician Shelby Wright were in attendance.

The Mayor announced, "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."

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Goodwin asked if there were any changes to the agenda. Mayor Goodwin requested to pull item #5; Vice Mayor Gonzalez requested to pull item #6; Council Member Fisicaro requested to pull item #3. The Mayor asked for a motion to adopt the agenda with the requested changes.

Action: Council Member Fisicaro moved to adopt the agenda with the requested changes; the motion was seconded by Council Member del Rosario and carried by the following vote:

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

- Administrative Services Director Pak Lin introduced new Accounting Technician Maria

Martinez.

- Chief of Police John Munsey presented certificates of appreciation to residents Liam and Seamus Falcon for contributing homeless kits to the department.
- Recreation Services Manager Angelika Abellana and Monica Devincenzi of Republic Services presented the award recipients of the Holiday House Decorating Contest:
 - Sterling Park Neighborhood – Fischer Family
 - Verano Neighborhood – Yoa Family
 - Villa Hoffman Townhomes –Manela Family
 - Overall Most Festive Home – Rivera Family
 - Most Festive Colma Business – Flowerland

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mayor Goodwin opened the public comment period at 7:11 p.m.

- Resident and member of the San Mateo County Committee on Aging Liz Taylor invited the City Council to attend their next meeting regarding the Mission Road/Veterans Village bus stop.
- Executive Director of HIP Housing Kate Comfort Harr thanked the Town for its support of their programs and presented the City Council with calendars designed by children living in the county.
- Government Relations Associate Jackson Peterson introduced GovGPT which is an AI startup.

The Mayor closed the public comment period at 7:19 p.m.

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Motion to Accept the Minutes from the December 12, 2023 Special Meeting.
2. Motion to Accept the Minutes from the December 13, 2023 Regular Meeting.
3. [Pulled from Consent Calendar]
4. Motion to Accept the 2023 Facility Parking Lot Upgrades and Repairs Project, (CIP #953), Including the Colma Police Facility, Colma Community and Historical Center, and Creekside Villas Parking Lots as Complete and Directing the Director of Public Works to File a Notice of Completion for the Project with the San Mateo County Recorder’s Office Pursuant to CEQA Guideline 15301.
5. [Pulled from Consent Calendar]
6. [Pulled from Consent Calendar]
7. Motion to Introduce and Waive Further Reading of an Ordinance Amending Chapter 8 of the Colma Municipal Code Relating to Animals, to Adopt by Reference the Animal Control Ordinance of San Mateo County, Consisting of Chapter 6.04 of Title 6 of the Code of Ordinances of the County of San Mateo, California and to Make Other Clarifying Updates Pursuant to CEQA Guideline 15378 and 15301; and Set a Public Hearing for the Second Reading and Adoption of the Ordinance at the January 24, 2024 City Council Meeting.
8. Motion to Adopt a Resolution Approving and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute

Amendment No.1 to the Agreement with Mark Thomas & Company, Inc. in the Amount of \$165,500 for the El Camino Real Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvement Project, Project Study Report-Project Development Support (PSR-PDS) Phase Pursuant to CEQA Guideline 15306

Action: Council Member del Rosario moved to approve the consent calendar 1, 2, 4, 7 and 8; the motion was seconded by Council Member Fiscaro and carried by the following vote:

Name	Voting		Present, Not Voting		Absent
	Aye	No	Abstain	Not Participating	
John Irish Goodwin, Mayor	✓				
Ken Gonzalez	✓				
Carrie Slaughter	✓				
Helen Fiscaro	✓				
Joanne F. del Rosario	✓				
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3. Motion to Approve Report of Checks Paid for December 2023.

Council Member Fiscaro asked a question. Administrative Services Director Pak Lin answered her question.

Action: Council Member Fiscaro moved to approve Report of Checks Paid for December 2023; 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	
John Irish Goodwin, Mayor	✓				
Ken Gonzalez	✓				
Carrie Slaughter	✓				
Helen Fiscaro	✓				
Joanne F. del Rosario	✓				
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5. Motion to Accept Informational Report on Recreation Department Programs, Activities, Events, and Trips for the Fourth Quarter of 2023.

Mayor Goodwin asked several questions. Recreation Services Manager Angelika Abellana answered his questions.

Action: Mayor Goodwin moved to accept the Informational Report on Recreation Department Programs, Activities, Events, and Trips for the Fourth Quarter of 2023; 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	
John Irish Goodwin, Mayor	✓				
Ken Gonzalez	✓				
Carrie Slaughter	✓				
Helen Fiscaro	✓				
Joanne F. del Rosario	✓				
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6. 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 Pursuant to CEQA Guideline 15301 and 15378.

Vice Mayor Gonzalez suggested possibly amending the commemorative flag policy. Because the item agendized is for the approval of the flag schedule, City Attorney Chris Diaz recommended approving the item as is with direction to staff to agendize the flag policy in a future council meeting if requested by Council.

Action: Vice Mayor Gonzalez moved 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 Pursuant to CEQA Guideline 15301 and 15378; 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	
John Irish Goodwin, Mayor	✓				
Ken Gonzalez	✓				
Carrie Slaughter	✓				
Helen Fiscaro	✓				
Joanne F. del Rosario	✓				
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PUBLIC HEARING

9. ADOPTION OF HOUSING ELEMENT 2023-2031

City Planner Farhad Mortazavi presented the staff report. The Mayor opened the public comment period at 7:50 p.m. Nels Delander of Carpenters Local 217 of San Mateo County made a comment. The Mayor closed the public comment period at 7:52 p.m. Council discussion followed.

Action: Council Member Fiscaro moved to adopt a Resolution Rescinding Resolution No 2023-04, Repealing the 2015-2022 Housing Element and Adopting the 2023-2031 Housing Element in Compliance with State Housing Element Law, and Amending Colma Administrative Code Subchapter 5.05 Related to the Housing Element Conditioned on State Certification, All Pursuant to a Previously Certified Environmental Impact Report; 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	
John Irish Goodwin, Mayor	✓				
Ken Gonzalez	✓				
Carrie Slaughter	✓				
Helen Fiscaro	✓				
Joanne F. del Rosario	✓				
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COUNCIL CALENDARING

- The next Regular Meeting will be on Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 7pm with the State of the City Address starting at 6:30pm.

REPORTS

City Manager Daniel Barros gave an update on the following topics:

- Home Depot parking lot structure is red-tagged and not permitted for entry. The Town is working with the property owner to find a permanent solution.
- Reminders to the public to be prepared for the wet weather with sandbags and checking their drains are not covered with debris.
- Centennial banners will start to appear around Town by next week.

ADJOURNMENT AND CLOSE IN MEMORY

Mayor Goodwin adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m. in memory of Stephen Tussey, resident of Veterans Village, Robert Brizuela, longtime resident in Broadmoor Village, Simone "Sam" Bonnano of South San Francisco and Officer Tuan Le of the Oakland Police Department.

Respectfully submitted,

Abigail Dometita
Interim City Clerk