

MAYORS' & COUNCILMEMBERS' ASSOCIATION OF SONOMA COUNTY

Cloverdale, Cotati, Healdsburg, Petaluma, Rohnert Park, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol, Sonoma, Windsor

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Cotati Room
216 E. School Street
Cotati, CA 94931
Thursday, April 11, 2024
7:00 P.M.

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kevin McDonnell (City of Petaluma)

2. ROLL CALL

Cloverdale		Petaluma		Sebastopol
Cotati		Rohnert Park		Sonoma
Healdsburg		Santa Rosa		Windsor

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. General meeting minutes of February 8, 2024

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

If members of the public would like to provide public comment, we encourage you to submit them via email to the Association Clerk, Lauren Berges, by 3:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting: scmcaclerk@gmail.com

5. PROGRAM

A. Receive a presentation from David Rabbitt, District 2 Sonoma County Supervisor: **All Things County of Sonoma, 2024**

6. REPORTS

- A. Board of Directors Meeting (Chair McDonnell)
- B. Mayors' Report (report from Mayor of each city)
- C. Committee Reports

7. ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

8. ADJOURNMENT

The next General Membership Meeting will be held on June 13, 2024, in the City of Healdsburg

/s/ Lauren Berges, Association Clerk

Upcoming 2024 Meetings

June 13, 2024	Healdsburg
August 8, 2024	Petaluma
October 10, 2024	Rohnert Park

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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Cloverdale Veterans Memorial Building

205 W. 1st Street

Cloverdale, CA 95425

Thursday, February 8, 2024

6:30 PM

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Association Vice Chair, Mayor Susan Adams at 6:34 PM.
2. **ROLL CALL:** In attendance were the cities of Cloverdale, Cotati, Healdsburg, Petaluma, Rohnert Park, Santa Rosa, Sebastopol, Sonoma, and Windsor.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.
4. **PROGRAM:**
 - a. **Receive a presentation from Renee Alger and Sandra Uribe of First 5 Sonoma County: Pathway to Income Equity – Sonoma County’s Guaranteed Basic Income Pilot Program**

Vice Chair Adams introduced Renee Alger and Sandra Uribe who provided a presentation on income equity. Ms. Alger responded to questions from the Association members.

5. REPORTS

a. Board of Directors Meeting

Vice Chair Adams reported on the evening’s Board of Directors meeting.

b. Mayors Report

Mayors and Vice Mayors reported out on various programs, projects, and updates from their respective city/town.

c. Committee Reports

None.

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 8:16 PM

/s/ Lauren Berges, Association Clerk

CITY OF HEALDSBURG

MAYOR'S UPDATE



April 11, 2024

Grove Street Neighborhood Plan Implementation: The City of Healdsburg recently received a One Bay Area Grant providing approximately \$2.85 million for improvements along Grove Street between Grant Street and Dry Creek Road. The project aims to improve walking, biking, and transit use along the corridor. Design is under way and construction is anticipated to begin in Spring 2025.

Healdsburg Future Farmers Country Fair: The 75th Annual Twilight Parade will take place on May 23, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. Come out and enjoy this long-time community tradition!

Tuesdays on the Plaza: The City of Healdsburg is excited to announce Tuesdays in the Plaza will open on May 28, at 6:00 p.m. in the Plaza and run every Tuesday through August 27. Look for the music lineup in the coming weeks. As in the past few years, the Healdsburg Farmers' Market will also take place on Tuesdays in the Plaza and Saturdays in the West Plaza Parking Lot.

Municipal Recycled Water Pipeline: The City of Healdsburg recently awarded the construction contract for the Municipal Recycled Water Pipeline. The project is funded by a \$7.1-million-dollar grant as part of a long-term process to fund a recycled water pipeline. The Municipal Recycled Water Pipeline will provide water to City parks, a golf course, cemetery and some public-school facilities.

California Arrearage Payment Program (CAPP) Funding Update: The City of Healdsburg recently received another round of CAPP funding from the State that was applied to eligible Water and Sewer Utility accounts. This round of funding applied \$49,992 to residential water and sewer accounts with past due balances. The City previously received one round each of water and sewer funding and two rounds of electric funding. A total of \$488,222 was applied to customers' utility accounts from all rounds of funding. The City works with the State to receive CAPP funds, and then applies the funding directly to the customers' accounts with no customer involvement.

Downtown Housing Capacity Study: The City hosted a workshop to gather public input on the Downtown Housing Capacity Study. The goal of the study is to evaluate our existing codes, recent legislation, and State law to identify barriers to, and opportunities for, increased housing capacity in Healdsburg's downtown area. It will result in recommendations for how to best increase zoning densities in downtown districts.

Smart Station Location Update: On February 20, 2024, the City Council heard from numerous members of the community and weighed the pros and cons of two options for location of the future SMART rail station in Healdsburg. After thorough discussion, the Council opted to confirm past decisions to locate the station at the historic depot site on Hudson Street. The City is encouraged by a number of recent grant awards that bring us closer than ever to a fully funded extension of the SMART system to Healdsburg. We are excited to continue our partnership with SMART and we can't wait to welcome them to town as soon as possible.

Bronze Bicycle Friendly Community (BFC) Recognition: As part of our commitment to be a great place to live and thrive, Healdsburg applied for the League of American Bicyclists' prestigious Bicycle Friendly Community award. Today, we're proud to be part of the 480 communities across the United States that are transforming America, one Bicycle Friendly Community at a time.



Rohnert Park

MAYOR'S REPORT

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DOWNTOWN DEVELOPER SELECTION TIMELINE

JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2024
City Review of Developer Qualifications

MARCH/APRIL 2024
Interviews with Selected Developers

APRIL/MAY 2024
Site Visits to Developer Project Sites

MAY/JUNE 2024
Potential Selection of Developer

CITY OF ROHNERT PARK + HOMEFIRST SUCCESSFULLY CLOSE ROBERTS LAKE SAFE SLEEPING PROGRAM



The City of Rohnert Park and HomeFirst Services are pleased to announce the successful closure of the Robert's Lake Safe Sleeping Program.

The safe sleeping program, located at the Roberts Lake Park and Ride, was closed after the final resident moved out on January 31, 2024. The closure of the site represents a significant achievement for the City and its partners. Between October 2022 and January 2024, 122 individuals were served; 72% of those individuals moved into interim or permanent housing.

"This marks a significant milestone in our ongoing efforts to address homelessness in our community. The Roberts Lake Safe Sleeping Program demonstrated the compassion of our city and its partners and the initiative needed to achieve our program goals. Together, we've provided stability and support to those in need while guiding them toward interim and permanent housing solutions. This success underscores our commitment to creating a safer, more inclusive Rohnert Park," said Rohnert Park Mayor Susan Adams.

In October 2022, the City began a coordinated effort to reorganize a large, unregulated homeless encampment at the Roberts Lake Park and Ride. In partnership with HomeFirst and Defense Block Security, a "safe sleeping" program was implemented at the site with the following goals: stop the growth of the encampment, increase safety, and manage the encampment to closure by transitioning the unhoused individuals to stable housing.

Program participants were provided with housing and supportive services and were connected with transitional and permanent housing, including temporary housing at Labath Landing, an interim housing program in Rohnert Park. To ensure the safety of the participants, as well as that of the neighboring businesses and residences, 24/7 security was provided.

“These types of programs are important,” said Julian Elliot, Director of HomeFirst’s Emergency Housing Division. “The ability to have a place, even in a ‘camping’ setting that is safe from theft, vandalism, and violence, can provide a sense of stability and peace of mind that is so important when looking towards the future.”

Grant funding was provided through the County of Sonoma’s Measure O Program, which helped offset City funding. The County also assisted in connecting individuals from the encampment to interim and permanent housing throughout the county.

Tackling homelessness is a priority for the City of Rohnert Park. The County of Sonoma’s 2023 Point-In-Time Count, a count of people experiencing homelessness in the county, identified 210 unhoused individuals residing in Rohnert Park. This number reflects a 43% decline in the city’s homelessness from 2022 and highlights the successes of the city’s innovative initiatives to address homelessness.



COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT SPECIAL EVENTS SCHEDULE 2024

Parks
Make
Life
Better!



Volunteer Recognition Dinner
@Community Center
Invite Only
APRIL 14
4PM-6PM



May the 4th Be with You
@Community Center
South Lawn
MAY 4
GATES OPEN AT 4PM



Summer Kickoff Expo
@ Technology High School
MAY 18
11AM-2PM

Memorial Day Event
@Community Center
MAY 27
10AM



Party on the Plaza & Farmer's Market
@City Center Plaza
JUNE-AUGUST
FRIDAYS
5PM-8PM



Juneteenth Celebration
@ Community Center
JUNE 19
11AM



RP JUBILEE
@Community Center Complex
JULY 4
12PM-4PM



Flynn Creek Circus
@Downtown Property
JULY 22-28
TIMES TBD



The Haunt: Brew and Scare Fest
@Community Center Complex
OCT 25
6PM-9PM



Halloween Carnival & Día de los Muertos
@Community Center Complex
OCT 26
12PM-5PM



Veteran's Day Event
@Community Center
NOV 11
11AM



Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair
@Community Center
NOV 29-30
10AM-4PM



Holiday Lights w/ Rec the Halls
@Community Center Complex
DEC 7
TIME TBD




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