



## MINUTES

SAN RAFAEL CITY COUNCIL – MONDAY, APRIL 5, 2021

### **CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19) ADVISORY NOTICE**

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Present: Mayor Kate  
Vice Mayor Bushey  
Councilmember Hill  
Councilmember Kertz  
Councilmember Llorens Gulati

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Jim Schutz  
Assistant City Attorney Lisa Goldfien  
City Clerk Lindsay Lara

### **CLOSED SESSION AT 5:45 P.M.**

Watch on Webinar: <https://tinyurl.com/cs-2021-04-05>

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### **OPEN SESSION**

1. Mayor Kate to announce Closed Session item.

### **CLOSED SESSION**

2. Closed Session:

- a. Conference with Labor Negotiators - Government Code Section 54957.6  
Lead Negotiators: Timothy L. Davis and Stephanie Vollmer (Burke, Williams & Sorensen)

Agency Designated Representatives: Jim Schutz, Cristine Alilovich, Nadine Hade, Thomas Wong, Carmen Valdez, David Spiller, Darin White, and Sylvia Gonzalez-Shelton  
Employee Organization: SEIU - Childcare; San Rafael Police Mid-Management Association; Public Employee Union, Local 1; San Rafael Firefighters' Association; San Rafael Police Association; SEIU Local 1021; Western Council of Engineers; San Rafael Fire Chief Officers' Association; Unrepresented Mid-Management; Unrepresented Executive Management

**REGULAR MEETING AT 7:00 P.M.**

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Mayor Kate called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m. and invited City Clerk Lindsay Lara to call the roll. All members of the City Council were present.

Assistant City Attorney Lisa Goldfien announced that no reportable action was taken in the Closed Session held prior to the meeting.

Mayor Kate provided opening remarks, which included the City's new Digital Service & Open Government Director, COVID-19 milestones and the recent acts of violence against Asian and Pacific Islander Americans and women.

City Clerk Lindsay Lara informed the community that the meeting would be streamed live to YouTube and members of the public would provide public comment either on the telephone or through Zoom or YouTube live chat. She explained the process for community participation on the telephone, Zoom and YouTube.

**OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION**

Mayor Kate invited public comment; however, there was none.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:**

3. City Manager's Report:

City Manager Jim Schutz announced:

- COVID-19 update
- President Biden's Infrastructure Plan update
- Library's 21-Day Race and Equity Challenge, Book to Action program
- Goals workshop coming up on April 30 regarding the City's response to hate and violence
- Transit Center update at next City Council meeting

**COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS:**

**(including AB 1234 Reports on Meetings and Conferences Attended at City Expense)**

4. Councilmember Reports:

- Councilmember Bushey reported on San Rafael Sanitation District Board and library committee meetings.
- Councilmember Hill reported on Central Marin Sanitation Agency and Park and Recreation Commission meetings.
- Councilmember Kertz reported on Age-Friendly Initiative, Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority, Marin County Council of Mayors & Councilmembers (MCCMC) Legislative and MCCMC Homeless meetings.
- Councilmember Llorens Gulati reported on Marin Clean Energy, MCCMC Economic Recovery and Town hall meetings.
- Mayor Kate reported on MCCMC, Canal Policy Working Group, Transportation Authority of Marin, SMART and Marin County Health and Human Service meetings.

**CONSENT CALENDAR:**

Mayor Kate invited public comment; however, there was none.

Councilmember Kertz moved and Councilmember Hill seconded to approve the Consent Calendar.

5. Consent Calendar Items:

a. **Approval of Minutes**

**Approve Minutes of City Council / Successor Agency Regular Meeting of Monday, March 15, 2021 (CC)**

*Approved minutes as submitted*

AYES: Councilmembers: Bushey, Hill, Kertz, Llorens Gulati & Mayor Kate  
 NOES: Councilmembers: None  
 ABSENT: Councilmembers: None

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

6. Special Presentation:

a. National Library Week Proclamation Presentation

Mayor Kate presented a Proclamation to Susan Andrade-Wax, Library & Recreation Director.

Susan Andrade-Wax, Library & Recreation Director, Henry Bankhead, Assistant Library & Recreation Director/City Librarian and Jaimi Cortes, Board of Library Trustees Chair provided comments.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

7. Public Hearings:

a. **Annual Progress Report (APR) on Housing**

**Annual Progress Report (APR) on: Housing Units Submitted, Approved and Built in 2020; and Update on Progress of Implementing Programs in the Housing Element**

Alicia Giudice, Planning Manager introduced Renee Nickenig, Assistant Planner who presented the Staff Report.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Mayor Kate invited public comment.

**Speakers:** Bob Pendoley, Marin Environmental Housing Collaborative, Bill Carney, Sustainable San Rafael, John Reynolds, Grace Geraghty, Responsible Growth Marin

Staff responded to public comment.

Staff responded to further questions from Councilmembers.

Councilmembers provided comments.

Councilmember Llorens Gulati moved and Councilmember Bushey seconded to accept the report.

AYES: Councilmembers: Bushey, Hill, Kertz, Llorens Gulati & Mayor Kate

NOES: Councilmembers: None

ABSENT: Councilmembers: None

*Accepted report*

## **OTHER AGENDA ITEMS**

### 8. Other Agenda Items:

#### a. **[General Plan 2040 / Downtown Precise Plan](#) **General Plan 2040 Progress Report #6 (CD)****

Paul Jensen, Community Development Director, Barry Miller, Project Manager and Bob Grandy, Fehr & Peers presented the Staff Report.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Mayor Kate invited public comment.

**Speakers:** Bill Carney, Sustainable San Rafael, Shirley Fischer, Responsible Growth Marin, Kate Powers, Marin Conservation League, Pam Reaves, Responsible Growth Marin

Councilmembers provided comments.

Councilmember Bushey moved and Councilmember Kertz seconded to accept the report.

AYES: Councilmembers: Bushey, Hill, Kertz, Llorens Gulati & Mayor Kate  
NOES: Councilmembers: None  
ABSENT: Councilmembers: None

*Accepted report*

**SAN RAFAEL SUCCESSOR AGENCY:**

1. Consent Calendar: - None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor Kate adjourned the meeting in memory of Jimmy Geraghty at 9:48 p.m.

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LINDSAY LARA, City Clerk

APPROVED THIS \_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_, 2021

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KATE COLIN, Mayor

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