

MINUTES



SAN RAFAEL CITY COUNCIL - MONDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2022

SPECIAL MEETING AT 6:30 P.M.

In-Person:

San Rafael City Council Chambers
1400 Fifth Avenue, San Rafael, CA 94901

Participate Virtually:

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

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Jim Schutz
City Attorney Robert Epstein
City Clerk Lindsay Lara

Mayor Kate called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and requested City Clerk Lindsay Lara call the roll. All members of the City Council were present.

Mayor Kate announced the swearing-in ceremony for Councilmember Bushey and Councilmember Hill to be held on December 19, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. She welcomed Micah Hinkle, the new Director of Economic Development and Innovation.

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

CITY MANAGER AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS:

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

1. City Manager and Councilmember Reports:

City Manager Jim Schutz announced:

- Nominations for the 2023 Richard P. O'Brien and Mary Ferrario O'Brien Public Service Award
- Vacancies on the Planning Commission, Pickleweed Advisory Committee and the ADA

Access Advisory Committee

- San Rafael Lighted Boat Parade to be held on Saturday, December 17, at the San Rafael Yacht Club, 6-9 p.m.

Technical difficulty during City Manager's Report, resulting in lack of streaming 6:34 - 6:40 p.m.

Councilmember Reports:

- Councilmember Hill reported on the Downtown San Rafael's Parade of Lights.
- Councilmember Bushey reported on San Rafael Sanitation District and Loch Lomond Oversight Committee meetings.
- Councilmember Llorens Gulati reported on the Winter Wonderland event and an East San Rafael Parking Task Force meeting.
- Mayor Kate reported on a Marin Transit meeting.

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

CONSENT CALENDAR:

2. Consent Calendar:

Mayor Kate pulled item 2.c Donation of Open Space on Gold Hill Grade from the Consent Calendar.

Mayor Kate invited public comment on the Consent Calendar, not including item 2.c Donation of Open Space on Gold Hill Grade; however, there was none.

Councilmember Llorens Gulati moved and Councilmember Kertz seconded to approve the Consent Calendar, except for item 2.c Donation of Open Space on Gold Hill Grade.

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

NOES: Councilmembers: None

ABSENT: Councilmembers: None

- Vacancies on San Rafael Boards and Commissions**
Announcement of Vacancies on the Planning Commission, Pickleweed Advisory Committee and the ADA Access Advisory Committee (CC)
Received and filed
- Use of Teleconferencing for Public Meetings During State of Emergency**
Resolution Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361 Making Findings and Confirming the Need for the Use or Continued Use of Teleconferencing to Hold Public Meetings of the City's Legislative Bodies During the Continuing State of Emergency Relating to the Covid-19 Pandemic (CA)
Resolution 15162 - Resolution Pursuant to Assembly Bill 361 Making Findings and Confirming the Need for the Use or Continued Use of Teleconferencing to Hold Public Meetings of the City's Legislative Bodies During the Continuing State of Emergency Relating to the Covid-19 Pandemic
- Donation of Open Space on Gold Hill Grade**
Resolution Accepting the Offer of Donation from Marin Open Space Trust of Vacant Lot on Gold Hill Grade APN 015-250-34 to the City in Fee for Permanent Open Space and

Authorizing the City Manager to Execute, on Behalf of the City, All Documents Required to Effectuate Such Conveyance (LR)

This item was held from the Consent Calendar.

City Attorney Robert Epstein provided comments. He acknowledged Don Dickenson and Ralph Mihan, Marin Open Space Trust Board of Directors.

Councilmembers provided comment.

Mayor Kate invited public comment on item 2.c Donation of Open Space on Gold Hill Grade; however, there was none.

Councilmembers provided further comment.

Councilmember Hill moved and Councilmember Bushey seconded to adopt the resolution.

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

Resolution 15165 - Resolution Accepting the Offer of Donation from Marin Open Space Trust of Vacant Lot on Gold Hill Grade APN 015-250-34 to the City in Fee for Permanent Open Space and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute, on Behalf of the City, All Documents Required to Effectuate Such Conveyance

- d. **Quitclaim of a Storm Drain Easement at the Marin Academy
Resolution Electing to Vacate the Storm Drain Easement Described in Deed D2006-002997 and Authorizing Execution of a Quitclaim Deed, for Marin Academy Property at 1540 Fifth Avenue, San Rafael, California (PW)**
Resolution 15163 - Resolution Electing to Vacate the Storm Drain Easement Described in Deed D2006-002997 and Authorizing Execution of a Quitclaim Deed, for Marin Academy Property at 1540 Fifth Avenue, San Rafael, California
- e. **Temporary Street Closure to Support Vaccination Efforts in the Canal Neighborhood
Resolution Authorizing the Temporary Closure of Alto Street on Saturday, December 17, 2022 to Support Canal Alliance's Effort to Provide COVID-19 Vaccinations (PW)**
Resolution 15164 - Resolution Authorizing the Temporary Closure of Alto Street on Saturday, December 17, 2022 to Support Canal Alliance's Effort to Provide COVID-19 Vaccinations

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Kate adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

LINDSAY LARA, City Clerk

APPROVED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2022

KATE COLIN, Mayor