



MINUTES

SAN RAFAEL CITY COUNCIL - MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2023

REGULAR MEETING AT 7:00 P.M.

In-Person:

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

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Present: Councilmember Bushey
Councilmember Hill
Councilmember Kertz
Vice Mayor 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 7:01 p.m. and invited City Clerk Lindsay Lara to call the roll. All members of the City Council were present.

Mayor Kate provided opening remarks, which included gratitude to City staff, the City's recent launch of a mobile crisis team called SAFE (Specialized Assistance for Everyone), Earth Day and a land acknowledgement.

City Clerk Lindsay Lara informed the community that the in-person meeting would 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.

OPEN SESSION

1. None.

CLOSED SESSION

2. Closed Session: - None.

OPEN TIME FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION

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

CITY MANAGER AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS:

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

3. City Manager and Councilmember Reports:

Jim Schutz announced:

- City Council Goals and Objectives sessions to be held May 8th and May 15th
- Earth Day Clean and Green, April 21st, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
- Earth Day Neighborhood Clean-Ups, April 22nd, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m.

City Councilmember Reports:

- Vice Mayor Llorens Gulati reported on the SAFE team ribbon-cutting, an East San Rafael Working Group meeting, a Marin Women Run for Office event, a Reusable Foodware meeting and a working group meeting on EV charging. She announced an upcoming Pickleweed Clean-up on Saturday, April 22nd.
- Councilmember Bushey reported on a Central Marin Sanitation Agency meeting, a Police Department ride-along, a Public Works tour, a San Rafael Library Foundation meeting and a San Rafael Chamber of Commerce meeting.
- Councilmember Kertz reported on Marin Wildfire Prevention Authority (MWPA) meetings, a Fire Department ride-along, a Public Works ride-along and the Marin Economic Forum.
- Councilmember Hill reported on an Economic Development Subcommittee meeting. He announced the unveiling of the Draft Economic Development Strategic Plan (EDSP).
- Mayor Kate reported on a Public Works ride-along.

Mayor Kate invited public comment.

Speaker: Eva Chrysanthe

CONSENT CALENDAR:

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

Vice Mayor Llorens Gulati moved and Councilmember Kertz seconded to approve the Consent Calendar.

4. Consent Calendar Items:

a. **Approval of Minutes**

Approve Minutes of the City Council Meeting of April 3, 2023 (CC)

Approved minutes as submitted

b. **Grant Funded Canal Broadband Feasibility Study Consulting Contract**

Approve and Authorize the City Manager to Negotiate and Execute a Professional Services Agreement with EntryPoint Networks, Inc. to Coordinate and Perform the Services Required to Create the Work Products Outlined in the Local Agency Technical Assistance

(“LATA”) Grant Award from the California Public Utilities Commission (“CPUC”) for the San Rafael Canal Qualified Opportunity Zone Project in the Amount of \$182,120 (DS)

Authorized the City Manager to negotiate and execute a professional services agreement in the amount not to exceed \$182,120 with EntryPoint Networks, Inc. to perform the services required to create the work products outlined in the contract and Digital Feasibility Study Proposal previously submitted and approved by the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) as a part of the City’s Local Agency Technical Assistance (LATA) grant application and award.

- c. **Grant Award from the State of California Arts Commission
Resolution Approving the Acceptance and Appropriation of Grant Funding from the State of California Arts Commission in An Amount of \$671,429 for The Downtown San Rafael Arts District, and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Grant Agreement and Other Documents Related to the Grant (ED)**
Resolution 15199 - Resolution Approving the Acceptance and Appropriation of Grant Funding from the State of California Arts Commission in An Amount of \$671,429 for The Downtown San Rafael Arts District, and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute a Grant Agreement and Other Documents Related to the Grant

- d. **City Quarterly Investment Report
Acceptance of City of San Rafael Quarterly Investment Report for the Quarter Ending March 31, 2023 (Fin)**
Recommended Action – Accepted report

- e. **National Library Week
Proclamation Supporting National Library Week April 23-29, 2023 (LR)**
Received and filed

- f. **Approval of Special Event Street Closures in San Rafael
Resolution Authorizing the Temporary Closure of Streets in San Rafael for “Dining Under the Lights”, A Special Event Series on Fourth Street (PD)**
Resolution 15200 - Resolution Authorizing the Temporary Closure of Streets in San Rafael for “Dining Under the Lights”, A Special Event Series on Fourth Street

- g. **B Street Culvert Replacement Project
Authorize the City Manager to Terminate the Construction Contract for B St Culvert Replacement Project, City Project No. 11380 with Maggiora & Ghilotti, Inc. (PW)**
Authorized the City Manager to terminate the construction contract for the B St Culvert Replacement Project, City Project No. 11380 with Maggiora & Ghilotti, Inc.

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

PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. Public Hearings:

- a. [Paramedic Tax Rates for Fiscal Year 2023-24](#)
Introduction of An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of San Rafael Amending the Paramedic Service Special Tax Rates Within the Voter-Approved Limit, Commencing with Fiscal Year 2023-2024, for Residential Units and Non-Residential Structures in the City of

San Rafael, County Service Area No. 13, County Service Area No. 19, and The Marinwood Community Services District (Fin)

Thomas Wong, Sr. Management Analyst (Fire Department) presented the Staff Report.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Mayor Kate invited public comment, however there was none.

Councilmembers provided comments.

Councilmember Hill moved and Councilmember Kertz seconded to waive further reading of the Ordinance, refer to it by title only and introduce the Ordinance; and the City Clerk read the title of the Ordinance.

An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of San Rafael Amending the Paramedic Service Special Tax Rates Within the Voter-Approved Limit, Commencing with Fiscal Year 2023-2024, for Residential Units and Non-Residential Structures in the City of San Rafael, County Service Area No. 13, County Service Area No. 19, and The Marinwood Community Services District

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

NOES: Councilmembers: None

ABSENT: Councilmembers: None

Waived further reading of the Ordinance, referred to it by title only, and introduced the Ordinance

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

6. Other Agenda Items:

a. [Citywide Parks and Recreation Master Plan](#)

Resolution Adopting the Citywide Parks and Recreation Master Plan (LR)

Catherine Quffa, Library & Recreation Director introduced Lauren Ivey-Thomas, RHAA Landscape Architects and Teifion Rice-Evans, EPS-Economic & Planning Systems who presented the Staff Report.

Staff responded to questions from Councilmembers.

Mayor Kate invited public comment.

Speakers: Alice Cochran, Kate Powers, Eva Chrysanthe

Staff responded to public comment.

Councilmembers provided comments.

Councilmember Llorens Gulati moved and Councilmember Hill seconded to adopt the resolution.

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

NOES: Councilmembers: None

ABSENT: Councilmembers: None

Resolution 15201- Resolution Adopting the Citywide Parks and Recreation Master Plan

- b. [Appointment of Cristine R. Alilovich to City Manager](#)
Resolution Appointing Cristine R. Alilovich City Manager, Effective June 1, 2023 and Approving and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute An Employment Agreement (CA)

Rob Epstein, City Attorney presented the Staff Report.

Mayor Kate invited public comment.

Speakers: Barry Taranto, Eva Chrysanthe, Lori Schifrin

Councilmembers provided comments.

Mayor Kate moved and Councilmember Llorens Gulati seconded to adopt the resolution.

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

NOES: Councilmembers: None

ABSENT: Councilmembers: None

Resolution 15202- Resolution Appointing Cristine R. Alilovich City Manager, Effective June 1, 2023 and Approving and Authorizing the Mayor to Execute An Employment

SAN RAFAEL SUCCESSOR AGENCY:

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

Member Kertz moved and Member Bushey seconded to approve the Consent Calendar.

1. Consent Calendar:

- a. [Successor Agency Quarterly Investment Report](#)
Acceptance of City of San Rafael Successor Agency Quarterly Investment Report for the Quarter Ending March 31, 2023 (Fin)
Accepted report

AYES: Members: Bushey, Hill, Kertz, Llorens Gulati & Chair Kate

NOES: Members: None

ABSENT: Members: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Kate adjourned the meeting at 8:42 p.m.

LINDSAY LARA, City Clerk

APPROVED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2023

KATE COLIN, Mayor